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LB 323, 323A, 345, 345A, 463, 496, 496A, 754
754A, 969, 1120, 1189, 1191, 1205, 1265, 1273
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LB 969, LB 1120, LB 1191, LB 1265, LB 496, LB 496A, LB 754, LB 754A, LB 1273, LB 1273A, LB 1205, LB 1391, LB 323, LB 323A, LB 345, LB 345A, and LB 463.) Reference report, Mr. President, referring certain study resolutions, signed by Senator Coordsen as Chair, actually two different reference report. And I have an explanation of vote from Senator Lindsay (re LB 1189). That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 2007-09 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHHEM: Okay, Final Reading is completed for the day. We'll move to legislative resolutions. The first two will each one be taken individually, then the remainder are, at least at this point, placed on the agenda for group consideration. Mr. Clerk, LR 343.

CLERK: Mr. President, 343 was a resolution originally introduced by Senator Wickersham, Wehrbein, Crosby, Robak, and Lynch. It's found on page 1206 of your Legislative Journal. Pursuant to its introduction, the resolution was referred to the Retirement Systems Committee for public hearing. Resolution was reported back to the Legislature for its further consideration. I do have committee amendments offered by the Retirement Systems Committee, Mr. President. (AM4141 is found on page 1598 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHHEM: Senator Wickersham, to open on the committee amendments.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. Very simply, the committee amendments strikes subsection (e) of the resolution. Subsection (e) would have asked the Attorney General to initiate an action to determine whether any current or past member of the Public Employees Retirement Board or any current or past employee of the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement System is, was individually liable for his or her representations, communications, or actions contrary to the provisions of two sections of state law. Actions in the system contrary to those provisions, which closed a window for electing into the School Retirement System are the genesis of LR 343. The committee's consideration for asking that subsection (e) be struck was that the focus of any litigation should be the rights of the individuals who are potentially affected and that we did not want to divert attention from what our primary focus was. And, again, that is